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" I CAN EXPLAIN "

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### GARETH HUGHES IN I CAN EXPLAIN

## THE CAST

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Jimmy Berry is junior partner in the flourishing firm of Dawson & Berry with offices in New York and a factory in Wallington, where the two partners live -- Dawson with his wife, Dorothy, and Berry at a rooming house. The latter wants to marry Betty Carson, but he must first obtain the consent of her uncle. Henry Mason.

Dorothy, wishing to surprise her husband, who is about to open a branch of the business in South America, by putting \$40,000.00 of her own money into it to build a warehouse, takes Berry into her confidence to aid her in the deal.

Their secret meetings start town gossip and Dawson, insanely jealous, threatens divorce. Gossip of the affair reaches the ears of Betty's uncle and he forbids her to see Berry.

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Later the same night Berry, unable to sleep, goes to the factory to do some work. There in the office he finds Dorothy. Dawson has followed her and another stormy scene takes place. Dawson accuses his partner of attempting to break up his home. Unreasonable to the extreme, Dawson declares that Berry must leave town the next morning to take charge of the New York office or he will go to Betty Carson and tell her of the whole affair.

Dawson arrives. He compels Berry to leave for South America with him that same night. Upon their arrival at the South American port a health inspector comes aboard the ship and insists upon examining everyone on board. There is a fever epidemic prevalent in the city. Dawson is amazed to see his wife led from a cabin and he again accuses Berry and his wife of secret arrangements.

Senor Gardez, a prominent South American importer -the man who has promised to aid in establishing the new branch-comes aboard with the inspecting party. Seeing the actions
of Dawson towards his wife, Gardez has Dawson arrested for insulting the lady. He does not know that they are husband and
wife. Dawson is placed in prison, while Gardez, recognizing
Berry, having met him in New York, invites him and Dorothy,
thinking that she is his wife, to be his guests at his home.

Explanations follow rapidly and Dawson is released, only to blame Berry for his predicament. At dinner that night they are introduced to General Huera, a big importer and distributor, and Senorita Carmencita Gardez.

During the night Berry, after bribing one of the servants, is taken to a motor launch, the owner of which agrees to take him to another city some distance away. They are ready to leave when Dorothy appears. She is also running away. They are captured, brought back to Gardez's house, where the latter

suggests a duel to take place the mext morning between Berry and Dawson. In this encounter Berry wounds Dawson.

Berry again takes French leave, this time via motor car, but he is kidnaped and taken to the camp of an outlaw known as El Pavor. Berry fights the whole gang, sets himself up as chief, and orders Dawson brought to him at once, after learning that it is he and Huera who had arranged his being spirited away. Instead of Dawson it is Dorothy who is brought to him. Another attempt is successful and Dawson is captured. He tells Berry that the whole army is after him.

Forsaking Dorothy and her husband. Berry makes his escape. He returns to Wallington just in time to save Betty from being married to the man whom her uncle has chosen for her husband. The junior partner takes the place of the bridegroom and he and Betty are married. Dorothy and Dawson arrive home safely and the firm of Dawson & Berry once more resumes its tranquil existence.

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